

(the dawn): he made the female of the
 horse un-
 naturally the mother of the cow.^a
 . S. May he, illuminating the purple
 (dawn), listen
 to the invocation (addressed to him) of
 old, daily
 bestowing wealth upon the race of
 ANGIRAS. He
 has sharpened his fatal shaft: he has
 supported the
 heaven, for the good of ineii₅ of
 quadrupeds, and
 bipeds.

4. In the exhilaration of this *Soma*
 juice, you
 have restored the celebrated herd of
 cattle, hidden
 (in the cave), for the sake of sacrifice,
 (to the AIS^T-
 GIEASAS). "When, IM>EA, the threefold
 crest^b en-
 gages in combat, he opens the doors of
 the tyran-
 nical descendants of MAJSTUS ;^e—

5. When your parents, (heaven and
 earth), the
 protectors (of the world), Brought the
 nutritious
 . and invigorating oblation to thee, who
 art quick in
 act, .and when they offered thee the
 pure and pre-
 cious milk of the milch-cow.^a

Varga xxv. *Q_t jf_{ow} j_s I]H)RA* manifested. May
 he, the over-
 comer (of his foes), grant us happiness,
 —he, who

in sport, is said to have made a mare
 bring forth a
 calf. '

^b Elevated, as a-triple crest, in the three worlds.

^c *Pani*, the stealer of the cattle.

^d That is, the clarified butter of the oblations,
from which the
nutriment of all things proceeds; for the oblation
ascends to the
sun,'by whom rain is engendered, from which
springs corn, the
support of living beings. "When this has been done,
Indra opens
the doors of the cave, and rescues the cattle, as
described-in the
preceding verse, with which this is connected.